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**CFJ/Barry Manthe**

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Thu, Jan 10, 2019 at 5:24 PM

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**Steven Sapp** <Steven.Sapp@como.gov>

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Pat,

We have reviewed your email request for comments concerning the release of a documentary produced by Citizens for Justice.

As this case spans many years and many of the officers and administrators may no longer be with the Columbia Police Department, it is impossible to meet your 48 hour deadline requirement.

We would suggest, for fairness, you meet with CPD to discuss your specific questions so that CPD can better research your questions, determine if responsive records exist, determine if responsive records do exist, the status by Missouri law (open/closed) record(s).

You are welcome to reach out to Brian or myself to assist in scheduling an initial meeting.

Thank you -

Steven Sapp

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From: **Pratt, Pat** <pprat@columbiatribune.com>

Date: Wed, Jan 9, 2019 at 9:54 AM

Subject: CFJ/Barry Manthe

To: Jill Schlude &lt;jill.schlude@como.gov&gt;

Citizens for Justice this week will release a documentary, the subject of which is long-time pimp Barry Manthe. The video claims, through interviews with former sex trade workers and years of complicity in allowing prostitution to continue in exchange for tips provided by Manthe about narcotics violations.

The video also claims the Columbia Daily Tribune facilitated Manthe's prostitution operations through its classified section, and some of my questions will revolve around that subject as well, in my upcoming article.

I have included a clip of the documentary as an example to further this dialogue. My deadline will be noon Friday.

<https://youtu.be/HU-Plr5Oevs>

Questions:

The documentary, the working title of which is "Police Protected Plmp" states police over the course of nearly two decades provided cover to and did not pursue criminal charges against Barry well known in the community. Was this the case and if so why?

Multiple calls to different houses utilized by Manthe over the years, some for domestic violence, some for drug-related or other crimes, were responded to by Columbia Police. Were officers, in place, obligated to investigate further and why or why not did that occur?

The Columbia Daily Tribune for more than a decade (I believe this started about 1995 and continued until 2009) in its classified section ran ads under the header Adult Personals that were of 2009, a reporter penned this article questioning the legality of this practice:

(<https://www.columbiatribune.com/d01b952a-2a6a-5898-9ef4-a129abab5057.html>)

Were Columbia Police aware of the Tribune's apparent marketing of prostitution and were any resident complaints filed? Were they investigated and why or why not?

The documentary states Barry Manthe was granted protection by this department in exchange for information provided about drug crimes. Is this true? Understanding the need to obtain information arise when the source is also engaged in criminal activity?

Has the department since the raid on the Vandiver Drive residence in 2016 taken a different view of sex trafficking crimes in the wake of the Me Too movement, Attorney General Josh Hawley greater awareness in general of sex trafficking? What changes have occurred?

Thank you,

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Fri, Jan 11, 2019 at 9:48 AM

Steve, all

I agree 48 hours is not a fair or appropriate window for a response given the complexity of the subject.

If CPD or city staff wish to meet with me to discuss the subject or article, I will be happy to do so in person or via telephone. I always offer any interview method most convenient for participants. I, however, am not requesting such a meeting. My questions stand as presented.

Also just to make clear, I am not requesting any records in relation to this subject. I have 20 years worth of Columbia police reports related to Barry Manthe sitting on my desk. I do understand if CPD wishes to review the case file, however, I can not image why that would be difficult to cause a delay.

For the reasons above, I believe a deadline of 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15 is a fair proposition. You, the chief, or anyone can call and discuss this matter on or off the record prior to that time. Respectfully, and I greatly appreciate the department and city's willingness to provide answers on this subject.

Thank you,

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Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 1:42 PM

All I am about to finish this and wondered if we will receive a response? Thank you.

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**Re: [Police PIO]: Re: inquiry about police inquiry**

1 message

**Geoffrey Jones** <Geoffrey.Jones@como.gov>

Tue, Feb 12, 2019 at 5:17 PM

To: Steven Sapp &lt;Steven.Sapp@como.gov&gt;

Cc: Jeffery Pitts &lt;jeffery.pitts@como.gov&gt;, Brian Adkisson &lt;Brian.Adkisson@como.gov&gt;, Jill Wieneke &lt;Jill.Schlude@como.gov&gt;

Steve,

I did not ask Jill to complete the review. She is not here today, so I will need to ask her when she returns. Mr Glascock told me about the review when I was appointed.

On Tue, Feb 12, 2019 at 4:09 PM Steven Sapp &lt;Steven.Sapp@como.gov&gt; wrote:

Geoff,

Now you owe us some more answers... potentially. 😊

Thanks.

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From: **Westmoreland, Charles** <cwestmoreland@columbiatribune.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 12, 2019, 3:26 PM

Subject: [Police PIO]: Re: inquiry about police inquiry

To: Jeff Pitts &lt;jeffery.pitts@como.gov&gt;

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Jeff, thank you for the reply. Two of my questions were not answered, however. Did Jill Schlude appoint herself to review this while she was acting chief, or did Chief Jones appoint her? When did she begin reviewing allegations into this documentary? These are two important questions in need of answering to provide detailed background and context. Thank you.

Charles

On Tue, Feb 12, 2019 at 3:12 PM Jeff Pitts &lt;jeffery.pitts@como.gov&gt; wrote:

Pat and Charles,

The following is the response from Chief Jones to your questions.

The Deputy Chief is conducting a review of the Citizens for Justice documentary about Barry Manthe and CPD. I do not want to speculate as to what we might find or if an employee may or may not have been involved in misconduct.

In any review of current or past practices, we have opportunities to improve if we find issues. Sometimes the issues are with policy, others with performance. We have the ability in some cases to modify behavior through training and policy changes; when those fail we modify behavior through various disciplinary actions. Although this review is in response to a video series and not a formal complaint, we will look for opportunities to improve if there are areas to do so. We will wait until the review is complete before determining what, if any, action needs to be taken.

I would be speculating as to the intent of the former administration's reasoning for choosing to draft or not draft policy regarding human trafficking. We take seriously our responsibilities in protecting those who are victimized by others. It has been our practice in the past to assign a detective to investigate human trafficking reports and to work with the FBI in these cases. We generally, at a local level, investigate sex workers who are not being trafficked and in the past invited the FBI to join when we investigate prostitution in the event we do uncover sex trafficking.

Confidential informants are necessary for law enforcement to uncover criminal activity, including human trafficking. These individuals chose to cooperate with the agreement that their identities will be protected and for a myriad of reasons: in consideration for reduced charges, the desire to protect others from predatory acts and to protect themselves from being victimized.

There are detriments. Confidential sources are at risk of assault, threats of assault and sometimes murder. Their information is checked for credibility by the police and they are heavily scrutinized by defense attorneys and prosecutors. Not unlike journalists who use sources who remain confidential, we have a responsibility to corroborate the information provided to us and to protect those who are vulnerable because they share the information we need to decrease criminal activity.

These relationships are necessary because the information provided from inside criminal networks is rarely available from people who are not themselves involved, to some degree, in criminal activity.

Geoff Jones  
Interim Chief

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All the best,

Jeff

**Jeff Pitts**

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**Columbia Missourian - "Police Protected Pimp" documentary**

1 message

**Jennifer Somers** <jsome231@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 19, 2019 at 3:47 PM

To: "Jill.Schlude@como.gov" &lt;Jill.Schlude@como.gov&gt;

Cc: Camille McManus &lt;camillemmcmanus@mail.missouri.edu&gt;

Deputy Chief Schlude,

My name is Jennifer Somers, and I am a reporter for the Columbia Missourian. Another reporter, Camille McManus (who I have copied on this e-mail), and I are currently working on a story about Matthew Akins' documentary "Police Protected Pimp," which makes allegations that the Columbia Police Department knew of Barry Manthe's sex trafficking and failed to act on the matter.

We have a few questions for you regarding this subject and would appreciate it if you would respond. The questions are listed below. Let me know if you have any other questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Jennifer Somers  
Reporter, Columbia Missourian  
314-440-8178

1. Have you personally had a chance to view the documentary "Police Protected Pimp"?
2. Does the Columbia Police Department have a response to the claims that Akins makes in the documentary that the police department was aware that there was human trafficking going on in the brothel and that Barry Manthe was a confidential informant?
3. Is the police department doing anything to look into the allegations made in the documentary?
4. Would the police department be in support of having a special prosecutor look into the allegations?



Jill Schlude <jill.schlude@como.gov>

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## Manthe review

1 message

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**Geoffrey Jones** <geoffrey.jones@como.gov>

Wed, Mar 13, 2019 at 12:55 AM

To: jill.schlude@como.gov

Jill,

The original date for the Manthe review was set for 2-25-19. I asked for a more in depth review and you needed to attend to some family matters followed by a vacation, so we agreed to extend that deadline. Please have the review submitted by 3-18-19.

Geoff





Jill Schlude &lt;jill.schlude@como.gov&gt;

**Manthe**

2 messages

Jill Schlude &lt;Jill.Schlude@como.gov&gt;

Thu, Mar 14, 2019 at 12:01 AM

To: Geoffrey Jones &lt;Geoffrey.Jones@como.gov&gt;

Chief,

When we spoke on 2/25/19 prior to me leaving town for the funeral, etc. it was my understanding that upon my return you wanted me to:

1. review all police reports involving Mr. Manthe in order to determine if there were any instances where we had probable cause to arrest him (or send a warrant request to the PA) and did not,
2. review all arrests of Mr. Manthe and document what action was taken (what we did arrest him for and why) and whether or not any further action could have been taken (additional charges that he potentially could have been arrested for and was not, and if so why),
3. review all police reports involving Mr. Manthe for any information in general that would refute allegations made in the Citizens for Justice videos

This information would then be placed into a report to be reviewed by MSHP for their review.

If this list is the correct scope of work I do not think it will be possible to have it completed 5 days from now, especially given the other duties I have. As you know, I just returned to work Monday. There are well over 150 pages of documents that Lydia provided me (these were the documents Mr. Wyse received in response to his Sunshine requests) and it does not include reports that were closed. I will need to get access to the old Records system in order to review those reports. I would also assume you want me to review any videos should any exist.

I know we briefly discussed it, but I do have concerns about a conflict, or at least the appearance of one, due to the accusations leveled against me and my husband in the videos. Since it was announced that I had been tasked with the investigation/review I have seen several news articles drawing attention to this as well as things on social media from Citizens for Justice. I have not dug far enough into the reports to determine if you would be perceived to have any involvement directly or indirectly (as a supervisor), but if so I think it would also be perceived by some as a conflict as well.

If I misunderstood your direction regarding the scope of work please let me know. It is not my intention to take any longer than needed to complete this task. I know it is an ongoing topic in the media and one that the public expects answers on in a reasonable time frame and I want to do whatever you feel is necessary to provide that. Would you confirm if you would like me to proceed with this as I described above, and if so when do you believe it should be completed?

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Geoffrey Jones &lt;geoffrey.jones@como.gov&gt;

Thu, Mar 14, 2019 at 8:16 AM

To: Jill Schlude &lt;Jill.Schlude@como.gov&gt;

Jill,

I still want you to review it. It is my understanding that the makers of the series have accused several agencies, with the exception of the MSHP, so there is nobody else to conduct the review.

I have asked that the MSHP consider a review and make recommendations if they see something wrong. They have not recontacted me after the initial conversation so I'm guessing they are not willing to review it. I will check again once you are done.

We spoke today and agreed that April 1st will be the deadline for the added review information. Let me know if you run into issues that require more time.

Geoff

Sent from my iPhone

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**Fwd: Barry Manthe/Robald Clark**

2 messages

Nicole D. Volkert &lt;nicole.volkert@como.gov&gt;

Mon, Mar 25, 2019 at 5:52 PM

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**Date:** April 7, 2017 at 12:20:59 PM CDT  
**To:** Police Sworn <police-sworn@como.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Barry Manthe/Robald Clark

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 -Matt

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**From:** Mcdermott, Sean (KC) (FBI) <Sean.McDermott2@ic.fbi.gov>  
**Date:** Wed, Apr 5, 2017 at 4:03 PM  
**Subject:** Barry Manthe/Robald Clark  
**To:** Matthew Stephens <matthew.stephens@como.gov>

Barry Manthe and Ronald Clark were released on bond yesterday pending trial. A condition of their bond is for Manthe to vacate the residence and have no contact with Clark. Could you ask the patrol officers whose beat includes 1125 Vandiver Drive to contact me via email or phone ( ) if they see Barry's vehicle (1999 green Chevy Lumina, Wisconsin plate ( ), and/or activity suggesting the residence continues to be used as a brothel/flop house? I don't need to know immediately (3am wakeup call not necessary), but if I get word they are back in operation I will do surveillance and see if I can't get one or both of them violated. Thanks.

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**Subject:** Re: Barry Manthe/Robald Clark

Here is a recent photo of the car. It has decals on the back and missing some trim.



As recent as 10/02/2016, ALPR shows it having a red hood. I am not able to confirm if it is still red since none of the more recent photos show the front of the car.



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# COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Informational Memo

TO: GEOFF JONES, INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE  
FROM: JILL SCHLUDE, DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE  
REF: REVIEW OF CITIZENS FOR JUSTICE VIDEOS  
DATE: 02-25-19

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While serving as Acting Police Chief I was directed by Interim City Manager John Glascock to review the video series posted to YouTube by the Citizens For Justice group regarding Barry Paul Manthe. I watched all 25 episodes in their entirety (over 200 minutes of video). Based on the videos it appears several allegations are made either directly or indirectly against several law enforcement agencies and the Boone County Prosecutor's office. These allegations span an approximately 20 year time period, beginning in 1997. Some of the allegations pertain to Columbia Police Department policies, while others are alleged violations of state or federal law. I have attached a list of potential allegations to this memo for your review.

Due to the number of CPD employees at various ranks who are alleged to be involved, I would recommend any investigation, if necessary, be conducted by an uninvolved third-party in order to provide the utmost transparency and accountability. It should be noted that Sgt. Roger Schlude and I are included in the video (both by name and appearance), and are alleged to have had direct or indirect knowledge. In order to avoid any potential conflict of interest or appearance of impropriety I am respectfully recusing myself from making conclusions as to the validity of the allegations contained in the videos.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance in this matter.

jas/1752

attachment: List of Allegations